(a) whether the Government have any scientific system to detect the mistake committed by the departmental employees, which cause an undue increase in the telephone bills of subscribers of Max II telephone exchange;

(b) if so, the details of the system and if not, the system developed to detect such mistakes and to protect the interests of consumers;

(c) the number of employees in Bihar against whom complaints have been received in this regard during the last three years and the action taken thereon; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) There is a system of counter checks and random physical test checks. Besides detailed verification is taken up on the complaints received.

(b)In Electro-mechanical exchanges a facility of obtaining detailed particulars of the calls made from the line is available by using the Multi Line Observation Equipment (MLOE) which is micro-processor based equipment. By selectively monitoring the subscriber's line with this equipment and comparing the subscriber's with the calls registered in the meter, it is possible to detect if call other than those made by the subscriber have emanated from his line. A few selected lines can be monitored at a time using this equipment.

(c) There are three such cases in Bihar and disciplinary proceedings are under process in these cases.

(d) does not arise

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Changacherry T.V. Relay Station in Kerala.

3965 SHRI RAMESH CHENNITHALA: Will the Minister of INFROMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the present stage of construction of the proposed Television Relay station at Changacherry in Kerala; and

(b) by when it is likely to be completed and commissioned?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRUA VYAS): (a) and (b) A low power (100 W) TV transmitter has been functioning at Changacherry in Kottayam district of Kerala since October, 1989.

Promotion of Non-Conventional Energy Projects in Rural Areas on Subsidised Basis

3966. PROF. UMMAREDDY VENKATESWARLU: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union government propose to promote Non-conventional energy projects to be used in rural areas on subsidised basis;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) and (b). The Union Government already provides subsidies for a number of non-conventional devices such